

REMARKS

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the U.S. Designated/Elected Office, mailed April 26, 2007, Applicant respectfully submits an Inventor's Declaration (40 sheets).

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination on the merits of the above-identified patent application. The first paragraph of the specification is amended to update the priority claim of the present application, which does not add new matter to the application. In addition, the claims are amended or canceled without prejudice solely to correct and reduce multiple dependencies, correct typographical errors and to reduce filing fees. The claims are not amended or canceled for any reason relating to patentability. Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims of the same or similar subject matter in related or continuing patent applications.

Also submitted herewith is an electronic copy of the sequence listing. This sequence listing is identical to the paper copy filed upon entry into U.S. national phase on August 22, 2006. The electronic copy of the sequence listing does not add new matter to the application.

CONCLUSION

The Notice also required submission of extra claim fees (\$525.00), extra page fees (\$375.00), the missing parts surcharge (\$65.00) and the extension fee (\$60.00). Please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2855 in the amount of \$1025.00 covering the fees due. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 30844/30003A

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